Local And Visiting Yachts.

The power yacht Water Witch, Dr. W. C. Clark owner, of New York, arrived in port yesterday from New York by the inside route. The owner is on his way to Annapolis and will cruise in the Chesapeake bay. The Water Witch flies the colors of the Columbia, North River and Philadelphia Yacht Clubs.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. McAllister have returned from a cruise of ten days in the schooner yacht Retsilla in the bay and tributaries.

Major Bulkley's steam yacht Eleanor came into port yesterday from a trip to Annapolis, begun Saturday.

Mr. H. B. Gilpin's yawl Huron came to anchor off the Baltimore Yacht Club yesterday after a three days' cruise in the bay.

Messrs. Patterson and Dinning and Mr. E. Griswold Thelin passed Saturday night and yesterday on a cruise in the Lena, in which they passed the storm of Sunday morning in a safe anchorage.

The enjoyable half-rater races, which gave such entertainment and amusement to the members of the Baltimore Yacht Club last year, will be inaugurated next Saturday over the course in Curtis bay in view from the club shore.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Romme and son, in their power yacht Roamer, which has visited Baltimore semi-annually for two years, was in port yesterday from a cruise in southern waters and resumed her trip toward Philadelphia by the canal route.

Lord Baltimore To Be Launched.

The propeller Lord Baltimore, for the Ericsson Line between this port and Philadelphia, building at the yards of the Harlan & Hollingsworth Company, Wilmington, Del., will be launched with some ceremony on Wednesday at 12.30 P. M.

Miss May Shriver Maulsby, daughter of Judge W. B. Maulsby, of Frederick, Md., and a cousin of Mr. Clarence Shriver, Baltimore agent of the line, will christen the vessel.

The Lord Baltimore, like the Penn, already launched, will be used for the popular day excursions inaugurated several years ago. With the Penn and Lord Baltimore Mr. Shriver says he will place passengers leaving Baltimore at 8 A. M. in Philadelphia in time to take the 5 o'clock evening trains to Atlantic City. The Penn will be the first vessel placed in commission, and until the Lord Baltimore is accepted the excursions will have to be made on alternate days instead of daily, as in past seasons.

Menhaden Reported Scarce.

Captain Haynie, of the fishing steamer Pocomoke, which came into port yesterday with a smell of the menhaden permeating the air for hundreds of yards around the craft, reports last week as very unsuccessful among the steam fishermen. He said 23 steamers were at work over the bay, and the catch for the whole week only averaged from 250,000 to 400,000 fish for each steamer, which he regards as very poor encouragement.

Dropped Propeller In Deep Water.

While fishing for menhaden off Old Plantation light, eastern coast of Virginia, the fishing steamer Dorothy F. Wacker, Captain Crockett, dropped her propeller on Friday last. She was taken in tow by the steamer Pocomoke, Captain Haynie, and brought here yesterday for repairs. The Pocomoke placed the disabled vessel at Beacham's shipyard and started on her return to the fishing grounds. The Wacker was towed from Dymer's creek to Baltimore by the Pocomoke in 15½ hours.

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